

In the Specification:

Page 2, above line 1, insert the following headings:

-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention --;

between the first and second paragraph, insert the following heading:

-- 2. Description of the Prior Art --;

replace the second paragraph with a new paragraph as follows:

-- ~~Known~~ Known is an electromagnetic stirring process in which a strand stirrer operates in the region of final solidification, and the time at which the desired action of the stirrer should reach the core melt, depends on the position of the solidification point. Because the solidification point is not known or is uncertain, in all cases, displacement of the device in the strand displacement direction is necessary. --.

Page 4, between the first and second paragraph, insert the following heading:

-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --.

Page 8, between the second complete paragraph and the third paragraph (above line 2 from the bottom of the page) insert the following heading:

-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --.

Page 10, between the first and second paragraph, insert the following heading:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT --;

replace the second paragraph, lines 3-13, with a new paragraph as follows:

-- A slab continuous casting machine according to Fig. 1 serves as a basis for explaining the method of determining of a momentary position of a solidification point in a cast strand 1. Liquid steel is poured from a teeming ~~ladder~~ ladle 2 in a controlled manner into an intermediate receptacle 3 from which steel flows into a continuous casting mold 4. The format 4a can represent billet, ingot, bloom, preliminary section, thin slab, slab strand formats. The cast strand 1 moves through a support roller segment 5 through a secondary cooling zone, wherein one support roller segment 5b is not adjustable. The support roller segment 5 is followed by other support roller segments 5 which are arranged along an arch passing into a horizontal. The further support roller segments 5 can be differently formed. --.

Page 16, six paragraph, replace with a new paragraph as follows:

-- 2. Teeming ~~ladder~~ ladle --